

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application. This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

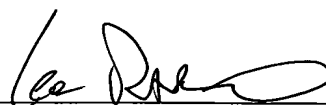
The specification has been amended to correct typos and grammar, and to clarify the elements shown in the drawings. Claims 1-21 are requested to be cancelled. New claims 22-50 are being added. After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 22-50 are now pending in this application. Support for the new claims may be found throughout the specification, such as on pages 25-27 of the specification. No new matter was added.

Applicants respectfully request that the application be examined on the merits. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The drawing sheets attached in connection with the above-identified application are being presented as new formal drawing sheets to be substituted for the previously submitted drawing sheets. The drawing Figures 3b, 4b, 6a, 11b, 13a, 13b and 14 have been amended.

The specific changes which have been made to Figures are as follows:

Figure 3b: deleted number 14 and changed number 16 to number 10.

Figure 4b: added number 16.

Figure 6a: changed number 14 to number 10.

Figure 11b: added number 16.

Figure 13a: added number 16.

Figures 13b and 14: changed number 40 to number 50.